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1. NGUYEN Tuong Tam (Ton Tan) is in China and probably at Nanking or Shanghai. His personal influence is negligible but he has a certain amount of Chinese support because of his membership in the Viet Nam Quoc Dan Dong and because of the fact that he was formerly Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.
2. NGUYEN Hai Than is reported to be in Hongkong and there is speculation among some in Hanoi as to the possibility of his return to Hanoi later. His political influence is said to be considerable, and in some well-informed Vietnam circles it is believed that he might be strong enough to replace HO Chi Minh. (In March 1946, NGUYEN Hai Than was reported to be Vice President of the Coalition Government of the Viet Nam Republic. He was also leader of the Dong Minh Hui, with many followers in official and wealthy bourgeois Annamite circles. At that time he was considered to be a possible President for a succession administration to the Coalition.)

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